

June 26, 2012

Mr. Jewell Colbert  
Regional Communications Director  
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Dear Mr. Colbert,

My office was recently informed of the planned consolidation of the Clinton and Davenport Social Security Administration field offices in Iowa by reassigning jurisdiction of Clinton County to the Davenport district office. I am requesting additional information about the evaluation used to come to this decision.

The SSA field offices in Clinton and Davenport provide vital services to area seniors. I am concerned that the consolidation of services for these two counties into one office may diminish the level and availability of service to residents.

The individuals served by the SSA field offices are often seniors living on a fixed income. Especially during these difficult economic times, a longer drive at today's high gas prices could present a significant burden on Iowa seniors' time and finances. Additionally, for individuals collecting Social Security Disability Insurance, it can be very difficult to travel long distances for critical services.

Additionally, I am concerned that the closure of the Clinton office will result in job losses for current employees. As we work to continue to try and get our economy moving again,, it is vital that we keep Iowans employed. I would like to know how many individuals will lose their employment as a result of the consolidation.

I ask that you please provide me with additional information about the impact of this decision on Iowans, including the evaluation used to formulate the consolidation plan. Also, any information you can provide on the impact on services and staffing levels would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Dave Loebsack  
Member of Congress

CC: Social Security Administration, Legislative Research and Congressional Constituent Relations Staff